



# California 2003

## Nonpoint Source (NPS) Conference

November 5–7, 2003 • Sheraton Four Points Hotel  
Ventura, California

### AGENDA

*Wednesday, November 5*

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**8:00–9:00**      **Registration** (Ballroom Foyer)

**9:00–9:30**      **Welcome** (Ballroom)  
*Arthur Baggett Jr., State Water Resources Control Board*  
*Alexis Strauss, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9*

**9:30–10:00**      **Keynote Speaker** (Ballroom)  
*Mark Gold, Heal the Bay*

**10:00–10:30**      **Break** (Ballroom Foyer)

**10:30–12:00**      **Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A**      **Building Sustainable Watershed Stewardship** (Ballroom)  
*Moderator: Shirley Birosik, Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board*

- San Diego River Watershed—*Robert Hutsel, San Diego River Park Foundation*
- Ballona Creek Watershed Management Plan—*Mark Home, EIP Associates*
- San Gabriel and Los Angeles Rivers Watershed and Open Space Plans—*Belinda Faustinos, San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy*

**Session B**      **TMDLs and NPS Challenges: The Truckee River Basin as a Case Study** (Clipper Rooms)  
*Moderator: Cindy Wise, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board*

- The Truckee River TMDL Collaborative Project—*Gayle Dana, Desert Research Institute*
- The Truckee River Biomass Monitoring Program—*Christian Fritsen, Ph.D., Desert Research Institute*
- Linking Groundwater, Surface Water, and Periphyton–Driven Oxygen Dynamics in the Lower Truckee River—*W. Alan McKay, Desert Research Institute*

**12:00–1:30**      **Lunch** (located in the tent over the tennis courts)

**1:30–3:00**

**Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A**

**Reducing Runoff from Agricultural Sources** (*Ballroom*)

*Moderator: Kathryn McNeill, Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board*

- Using Grower Outreach for Pesticide TMDL Implementation—*Parry Klassen, Coalition for Urban/Rural Environmental Stewardship*
- Reducing NPS Pollution in Central Coast Vineyards through Implementation of Best Management Practices—*Dawn Stimson, Central Coast Vineyard Team*
- Water Quality Planning Outreach and Implementation for Irrigated Agriculture on California's Central Coast—*Mary Bianchi, University of California Cooperative Extension, Daniel Mountjoy, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Dawn Mathes, Coalition of Central Coast County Farm Bureaus*

**Session B**

**Reducing Runoff from Urban Sources** (*Clipper Rooms*)

*Moderator: Talitha Sweaney, Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board*

- Using BMPs, Smart Growth and Low Impact Design to Work with Nature in Reducing NPS Pollution—*Neal Shapiro, City of Santa Monica*
- Preventing Pollution in North Natomas—*Ken Decio, California Integrated Waste Management Board*
- Orange County Water District Prado Wetlands—Enhancing Water Quality and Wildlife Habitat—*Patrick Tennant, Orange County Water District*

**3:00–3:30**

**Break** (*Ballroom Foyer*)

**3:30–5:00**

**Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A**

**Permit Streamlining to Encourage BMPs on Private Lands** (*Ballroom*)

*Moderator: Bob Neale, Sustainable Conservation*

- Salinas River Regulatory Coordination and Permit Streamlining Project—*Daniel Mountjoy, Natural Resources Conservation District*
- Morro Bay Partners in Restoration Permit Coordination Program—*Lisa Mangione, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers*
- Permit Coordination for BMPs in the San Luis Rey Watershed—*Patty Madigan, Mendocino County Resource Conservation District*

**Session B**

**Grazing and Rangeland Management** (*Clipper Rooms*)

*Moderator: Jessie Maxfield, State Water Resources Control Board*

- Making Water Quality Management Decisions on Dairies in the Tomales Bay Watershed—*David Lewis, University of California Cooperative Extension*
- The Morro Bay National Monitoring Program: A 10-Year Study of Rangeland BMPs—*Kathryn McNeill, Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board*
- NPS Efforts at Bishop Paiute Reservation—*Brian Adkins, Bishop Paiute Tribe*

**5:00–7:30**

**Poster Session/Reception** (*Windjammer Room*)

Come to the poster session and reception to network with other conference participants while viewing more than 20 posters on many NPS topics, such as BMP research and implementation and volunteer monitoring.

# Thursday, November 6

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**8:30–10:00**

**Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A**

**Sustaining Community-Based Watershed Protection and TMDLs** (Ballroom)

*Moderator: Sam Ziegler, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9*

- Learning How to Get Along: Stakeholder Partnerships in the Sonoma Creek Watershed—*Caitlin Cornwall, Sonoma Ecology Center*
- Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Management in Malibu California—*Bruce Douglas, Questa Engineering Corporation*
- Rapid Sub-Basin Assessment for Local Working Group: 2002 Farm Bill Prioritization—*Mark Cocke, Natural Resources Conservation Service*

**Session B**

**Successful Volunteer Monitoring** (Clipper Rooms)

*Moderator: Erick Burres, State Water Resources Control Board*

- San Diego Stream Team—*Cynthia Mallett, Mission Resource Conservation District*
- Mover Over Plankton, Here Comes Plastic!—*Captain Charles Moore, Algalita Marine Research Foundation*
- 2003 Coast Wide Snapshot Day—An Experiment in Coordinated Citizen Monitoring—*Bridget Hoover, Monterey Bay Sanctuary Foundation, and Tamara Doan, Coastal Watershed Council*

**10:00–10:30**

**Break** (Ballroom Foyer)

**10:30–12:00**

**Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A**

**Integrated Approach to Meet Emerging TMDL Regulations to Irrigated Agriculture** (Ballroom)

*Moderator: Sheila Ault, Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board*

- Imperial County Farm Bureau's Voluntary TMDL Compliance Program—*Nicole Rothfleisch, Imperial County Farm Bureau*
- Best Management Practices for Farmers Implementing Silt TMDL in Imperial Valley—*Al Kalin, Imperial County Farm Bureau*
- New River Wetlands Project—*Marie Barrett, Citizens' Congressional Task Force on the New River*

**Session B**

**Reducing Sediment from Roads** (Clipper Rooms)

*Moderator: BG Tackett, State Water Resources Control Board*

- A Comprehensive Approach to Addressing NPS Sediment from County Roads—*Sandra Perez and Mark Lancaster, Five Counties Salmonid Conservation Program*
- Reducing Sediment from Roads in Tahoe Through Interagency Partnerships—*Matt Graham, Tahoe Regional Planning Agency*
- Road Removal and Non-Point Source Reduction at Anadell State Park, Sonoma County—*Marla Hastings, California State Parks*

**Session C**

**Designing Effective Project Monitoring** (Admiral's Yacht Club)

*Moderator: Margie Lopez Read, State Water Resources Control Board*

- Valerie Connor, State Water Resources Control Board
- Shakoora Azimi-Gaylon, Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
- William Ray, State Water Resources Control Board

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**1:30-3:00**

**Concurrent Sessions**

**Session A**

**Stream Restoration** (*Ballroom*)

*Moderator: Ann Riley, San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board*

- Bioengineering Techniques used for Streambank Stabilization/Riparian Revegetation along Streeter Creek—*Evan Engber, Bio Engineering Associates*
- Sausal Creek Dam Removal Project—*Drew Goetting, Waterways Restoration Institute*
- An Example of Riparian Restoration on the Upper Pit River: Success Through Landowner Conservation—*Clifford Harvey, Central Modoc Resources Conservation District*

**Session B**

**Battling Invasive Species** (*Clipper Rooms*)

*Moderator: Lauma Jurkevics, State Water Resources Control Board*

- Response to Infestations of *Caulerpa taxifolia* in California—*Bruce Posthumus, San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board*
- Arundo Removal in the Santa Ana Watershed—*Jeff Beehler, Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority*
- Tamarisk and Arundo Removal and Control on Cache Creek—*Jan Lowrey, Cache Creek*

**3:00-3:30**

**Break**

**3:30-5:00**

**Closing Panel—Smart Funding** (*Ballroom*)

*Moderator: Celeste Cantú, State Water Resources Control Board*

- Steve Carley, Washington State Department of Ecology
- Rainer Hoenicke, The Resources Agency
- Terry Tamminen, Environment NOW

*Friday, November 7* \_\_\_\_\_

**8:00-4:00**

**Field Trip**

*Note: additional \$30 registration fee*

Join us for an exciting field trip to see innovative projects aimed at tackling NPS pollution and restoring habitats. The first stop will be at Ormond Beach wetlands to check out their ongoing restoration efforts. While cruising the Pacific Coast Highway we will pass waters that are designated as Marine Protected Waters. Next, participants will visit Santa Monica to observe several types of trash screens/separators, the unique Santa Monica Urban Runoff Recycling Facility to check out how urban runoff is treated and reused, and different pervious roadway surfaces. The last stop will be Malibu Lagoon. At this site we will have an opportunity to see a restoration project that is currently underway, including an ozone treatment facility, and will learn about local watershed and groundwater challenges and how they are being addressed. A box lunch will be provided.